

May 4, 2015
5:15 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, May 4, 2015 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer Pledge of Allegiance led by Pastor Stone.

Present: Mayor Lentz, and Commissioners Krug, Stirton, Edwards, and Barton. City Attorney Kevin Hill and City Clerk/ Administrator Kim Clausen were also present.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adopt the agenda after Mayor Lentz requested the payment request for K.C. Construction be added to the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2015 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3351 (Payroll) for the amount of \$36,284.91. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3352 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$172,267.09. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Public Comment

Ellen Wisner was present to request more time to remove her belongings from her home on 120 West 11th before the city demolishes it. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to not proceed with the abatement under the resolution until after September 1st. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Discuss Generator Conversion

Scott Shreve and Sarah Jacobson were present to discuss the cities need to upgrade their generators to meet the RICE rules by March 2016. This would provide, install and make operational RICE NESHAP Oxidation Catalysts including data monitoring, crankcase ventilation, compliance testing, and operator training for all 4 units. They also discussed restoring to dual fuel capability on the generators. The city will be holding a workshop with our bond council, auditor, Scott Shreve, and Sarah Jacobson in the coming weeks to discuss funding and time frames for the upgrades.

Bids to Install a Payment Window at City Hall

Mayor Lentz requested that the City Clerk get some dimensions for the new window and present them at the next meeting.

Staff Reports

Rex West and team will be working on continuing to clean up the foundations of the houses that have been demolished recently. They will also be cleaning brush and trees out of vacant lots and spraying for weeds (weather permitting).

Chief of Police

Chief Calhoon and the officers will be reinforcing the mowing of properties in town. KANZA would like the city to submit a support letter. Motion by Commissioner Edwards for the City Clerk to type up a support letter on the city letterhead to support the work of KANZA Mental Health and Guidance Center and the mission of the Brown County Behavioral Health Prevention Group in its effort to secure this Prevention Mini-Grant. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Mayor Lentz

Phase II of the sewer project have completed 90 point repairs, with 5 more to do. They will start lining old pipes soon.

Shared plans that he and Pat Cox have come up with for the Special Round Grant that the city is applying for.

Attended/worked the Kansas Sampler and found that a lot of people are excited about what is going on with Reinvent Horton.

Reinvent Horton will be focusing less on cleaning up cleaning up yards, and focusing more on rebuilding history.

Reinvent Horton is now a 501c3 Nonprofit Organization. They will be setting up a committee within the next few weeks.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to appoint Kathy Gordon to the Library Board. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

City Clerk's/Administrator's Agenda

No Comment.

Commissioner's Agenda**Commissioner Krug**

No Comment.

Commissioner Stirton

Commissioner Stirton will be meeting with Chief Calhoon about updating the cities bulletproof vest policy.

Commissioner Edwards

No Comment.

Commissioner Barton

Commissioner Barton complimented how good that Hickory Point looked for the Super Hero Walk/Run on Saturday. He also asked about putting the taxes for the derelict properties on the tax sale.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Kim Clausen, City Clerk

Tim Lentz, Mayor